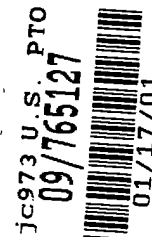


D. Johnson  
#4 8-701  
IDS/Statement

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of : January 17, 2001  
J. R. Hind, et al : IBM Corporation  
Filing Date: herewith : Dept. T81/Bldg. 503-3  
Serial No. : P.O. Box 12195  
For: Technique for Improved Audio Compression : Research Triangle Park,  
: North Carolina 27709



**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicants submit herewith patents, publications or other information of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56.


While this Information Disclosure Statement may be "material" pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to herein is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g) the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists.

The attached form, PTO-1449, provides a listing of patents, publications, or other information as required by 37 CFR 1.98(a)(1).

A copy of each of the items on PTO-1449 is supplied herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jeanine S. Ray-Vareltts  
Attorney for Applicants  
Registration No. 39,808

JSR:dl  
PHONE: 919-543-2541; FAX: 919-254-4330

RSW920010010US1

FORM PTO-1449 (Modified)  LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR APPLICANT'S INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  (Use several sheets if necessary)	ATTY. DOCKET NO. RSW920010010US1	SERIAL NO.
	APPLICANT: J. R. Hind, et al	
	FILING DATE: herewith	GROUP:

Jc973 U.S. PTO  
 09/765127  
 01/17/01

### REFERENCE DESIGNATION U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIALS	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE (IF APPRO.)
AA						
AB						
AC						

### FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
						YES	NO

### OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

AG	<a href="http://biz.yahoo.com/bw/001101/sc_inventi.html">http://biz.yahoo.com/bw/001101/sc_inventi.html</a> : "Image Verification Patent Filed on Behalf of PhotoSecurity.Com", press release on Business Wire, Nov. 1, 2000, Charleston, SC, 3 pages
AH	<a href="http://www.techweb.com/wire/story/TWB20000911S0011">http://www.techweb.com/wire/story/TWB20000911S0011</a> , "Vendors Race to Put Cameras in Cell Phones", by J. Yoshida, EE Times, Sep. 11, 2000, 5 pages

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
----------	-----------------

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.